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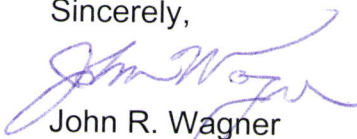
RE: Division's Initial Review of Amended MRP, Topaz Mine, M/023/003, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Haddock:

Thank you for your letter of January 25, 2005. Subsequent to our receipt of that letter, two members of your staff, Mr. Tom Munson and Mr. Paul Baker, visited the Topaz Beryllium properties on February 24. During that visit we had a useful dialogue and agreed that further discussions are appropriate. Since the visit, I have had telephone communications with Mr. Munson and we have scheduled a subsequent visit to the mine for March 17 at which time we will work together to resolve the outstanding questions regarding hydrologic controls that were presented in the amended MRP. Mr. Baker has also agreed to forward recommendations for an alternate seed mix that Brush Resources Inc. may wish to consider. Since this dialogue is on going, we believe that it is premature to respond in detail to the comments in your January 25 letter, either by letter or with a modification to the MRP. Instead we intend to address the comment letter in the context of the understandings reached with your staff as a result of the dialogue that is in progress. Meanwhile, we have begun internally to address some of the issues brought up in your letter that require no further discussions with or input from your staff.

We appreciate the Division's cooperation and assistance in reviewing our amended mining and reclamation plan and look forward to finalizing the MRP as soon as possible after all outstanding issues have been resolved.

Sincerely,



John R. Wagner  
Mine Supervisor

Cc: Alex Boulton